



# Excellere College

Whaia te Maramatanga o Te Karaiti

**Excellence in Learning - Christianity in Living**

Newsletter - Te Pānui

July 29 2022

Term 3

Week 1

## Upcoming Events

- 2 Aug Year 9 Careers Expo
- 5 Aug Assembly @ 11.20am - All welcome
- 8-11 Aug Maths Week
- 16-17 Aug Year 11 Food & Beverage course
- 26 Aug Daffodil Day
- 29 Aug Teacher Only Day

## From the Principal

### The Fruit of the Spirit is us shining in the world

Welcome back to Term Three. As winter illnesses take hold schools across New Zealand are struggling to find relievers for absent staff. We also have this issue, with staff away sick, and therefore it is more important than ever that our staff stay healthy. We are asking for your support in our students wearing masks in class to lessen the likelihood of the flu, colds, stomach bugs and Covid being passed on. This is a health and safety issue which we take seriously and we pray that the measures we have in place (masks, ventilation, hand washing/drying, staying home if sick) will keep our learning environment functioning as normal.

I want to thank our parents for their support and patience in our new carpark drop off, pick up environment. Monday was a baptism of rain, however the routine has now set in no matter the weather. Although only temporary we apologise again for the disruption, however our new entrance carpark will be a joy to drive on when completed, without the puddles and potholes. We pray for fine weather next week as we approach the first pour.

Yesterday we had our mid-year Learning Conferences, an opportunity to catch up with teachers and korero on childrens' progress. We are still working in difficult times and it is more important than ever that we are a partnership in the learning journey. Thank you for braving the elements and finding time to catch-up. Unfortunately some staff were unavailable, however we will look to organise an opportunity to meet over the next few weeks.

Next Friday we are having another whole-school assembly. If you are able please join us as we come together for worship, and words.

Despite the two week break we are still dealing with weariness and anxiety around the current Covid season, and the added winter blues. As a school we continue to focus on providing a calm, safe learning environment for our students. We need to continually look to the Fruit of the Spirit for our responses to stress, tiredness, frustration, and anger. In following Jesus we are asked to shine a different face on the world. A face of love, compassion, forgiveness, integrity, and grace, in order to honour His Kingdom. This is the foundation for His Kingdom now and to come. Please continue to have the conversation, at home, about how we can 'love our neighbour as ourself'. We thank you for your love and support in the term ahead.

Blessings,

Graeme Whitehead  
Principal

"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law."

Galatians 5: 22-23 (NASB1995)

## Term 3 Sport Events

- 1) Badminton Individuals August 4 (entries close July 28)
- 2) Rippa-Rugby year 7-8 girls only August 9 (entries close August 1)
- 3) Futsal Year 7-8 event August 10
- 4) Netball junior tournament August 23, Dargaville. Year 7-8 & Year 9-10 girls & mixed (entries close August 16)
- 5) Basketball festival, Year 7-8 mixed, Aug 24 (entries close August 17)
- 6) Badminton individual champs B-grade, Year 9-13, August 30 (entries close August 23)
- 7) Kiwi-TAG girls only, Year 7-8, September 7 (entries close August 31)
- 8) Kiwi-TAG boys only, Year 7-8, September 15 (entries close September 8)
- 9) Basketball festival, boys Year 9-10, September 20 (entries close September 13)

## Excellere College School Board Elections—Parent Election Notice

Nominations are open for the election of three (3) parent representatives to the school board.

All eligible voters will have received a nomination form. Use this form to nominate yourself or someone in your community. You will have also received a nomination cover letter calling for nominations. Information on who is not eligible to be a board member was provided with the nomination form.

If you need more nomination forms, contact the school office, or email [library@excellerecollege.school.nz](mailto:library@excellerecollege.school.nz)

**Nominations close at noon on Wednesday 3 August.** You may provide a signed candidate statement and photograph with your nomination.

The electoral roll is held at the school and can be viewed during normal school hours.

As nominations are received, there will be a list of candidates' names kept at the school up until election day, which you can view.

Voting closes at 4pm on Wednesday 7 September 2022.

Signed: Kimberley Nielsen  
Returning Officer

## Learning and Development Support

If you have a concern about your child's language development, learning progress, social and emotional wellbeing, or behaviour, Te Manawa Tahi have specialists available so you can discuss your concerns directly with them.

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Thurs 4	<b>Clark Road Chapel</b> , 4-6 Clark Road, Kamo
Wed 10 August	<b>Archie Bull Hall</b> , 11 Kaiwaka /Mangawhai Road <b>Back 2 Basics Childcare</b> , 179 Newton Road, Maungatapere
Thurs 11 August	<b>Onerahi Community House</b> , 130 Onerahi Road, <b>Tauraroa Area School</b> , Omana Road, Maungakaramea
Wed 17	<b>Whānau Focus Centre</b> , 61 Victoria Street, Dargaville
Thurs 18	<b>Te Ora Hou</b> , 104 Corks Road, Tikipunga
Thurs 25	<b>Ministry of Education</b> , 24 Kaka Street, Morningside
Wed 31	<b>Archie Bull Hall</b> , 11 Kaiwaka /Mangawhai Road

## Whangarei Theatre Company: Moana Junior

The next production at the Whangarei Theatre Company will be Moana Jr. The show is a shortened version of the movie 'Moana.' We have 3 students from Excellere College in the musical, Mia playing the ocean, Sara playing ensemble, Aimee playing Grandma Tala and Mrs Matheson is the stage director. We have nearly finished week 1 of rehearsals and tickets are on sale now. Show dates are October 8 -15 you can buy them on the Whangarei Theatre Company website. - Aimee Whitehead, Year 11



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### NZ Guitar Ensemble & Korean Music Festival

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WHERE : Forum North Theatre (7 Rust Avenue, Whangarei)  
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**Term Three Dates**  
29th July  
12th August  
26th August  
9th Sept  
23rd Sept

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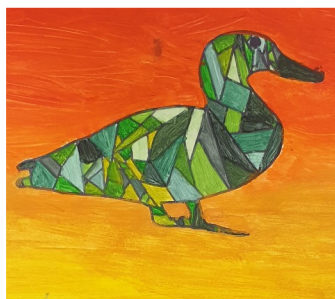
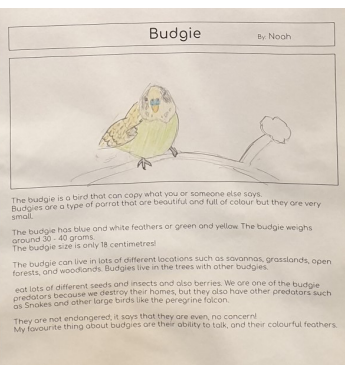


## Year 6 — Report Writing meets Visual Art

Year 6 students have been developing their report writing skills this term. They researched, drafted, edited and published an information report about an animal of choice. Including paragraphs, heading, labels and diagrams. In visual art they have been learning about the colour wheel and how to mix colours. To complement their animal report they drew a picture of their animal, added geometric shapes to the inside and painted it. They had to choose a

primary colour and then use white, black or other primary colours to create various shades of that colour. Then they had to use a contrasting colour for the background and paint in it graduating shades. It was a big project but it was really meaningful to connect our literacy skills to our art.

- Nicole Grammer, Year 6 Teacher



## Year 1 - 100 Days Celebration

These are photos of creations some children in Room 2 made at home that represent 100. We have a flower with 100 cheerios, ten flowers with ten petals, a flower with 100 cicada shells, a snail with 100 beads, and a centipede with 100 legs. We had a great day on the last day of Term 2 to celebrate 100 days of being at school!

- Marisa Mills, Year 1 Teacher



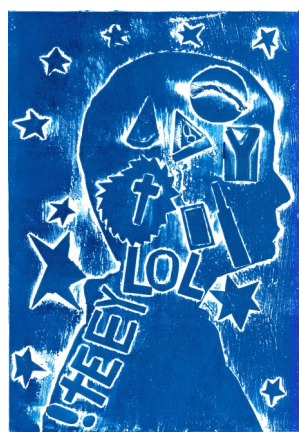


## Year 7 Collagraph Prints



The Year 7's completed collagraph prints at the end of Term 2. The students first had a photo taken of them which they traced onto light cardboard and cut out. They then brainstormed a range of symbols that represented who they were and the things that they loved. To create details they had to layer the cardboard and any words had to be glued down back to front in order for it to print correctly.

The backgrounds were made from repeated shapes of light card to frame the main portrait. The students printed these artworks using the etching press. They printed at least 3 copies in one colour before trying a blended colour. It was wonderful to be able to use this printing technique again and see the creative outcomes. - Julie Hale, Visual Art



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